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FEDERAL TAXES

How the GOP tax overhaul could impact your kid's education

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The sweeping \$1.5 trillion tax overhaul President Donald Trump signed into law last week will likely impact many areas of American life, including education. Experts are still analyzing what the GOP tax plan means for each state, but it could affect everything from how parents pay for private schools to the amount of money available for public education. Here's a look at how the tax overhaul might impact Florida schools — and some of the proposed changes that didn't make it into the final bill.

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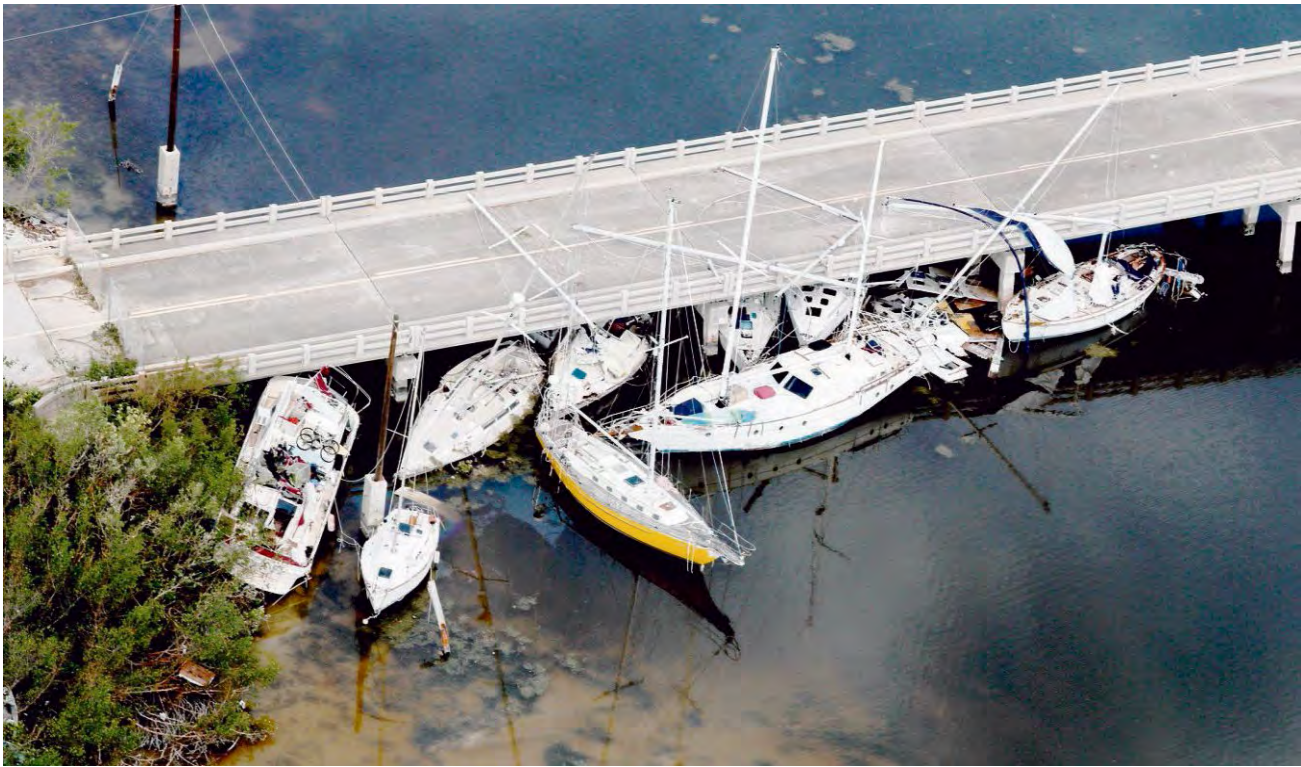
For some families, the GOP tax plan will make it easier to pay private-school tuition.

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Fourth-grade students read at Kensington Park Elementary in Miami on Tuesday, May 10, 2016. The federal tax overhaul could impact the amount of money available for public education.



MIKE STOCKER TNS

Boats became wedged under a bridge in Marathon in September, when Hurricane Irma struck the Florida Keys.

AFTERMATH OF HURRICANE IRMA

After storm, a mission to map a changed ocean floor

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When Hurricane Irma rolled across the Florida Keys this fall, it wasn't just the motels and marinas, Tom Thumbs, stilt houses, and shell shacks strung along the island chain that got slammed. Underwater, the storm pushed around massive amounts of sand, uncovering ancient reefs and burying some closer to its path. Some channels got filled, others reconfigured. Buoys that marked navigation or provided moorings for boaters got ripped free — some 800 alone in the Flor-



National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Satellite images taken before and after Hurricane Irma hit the lower Keys on Sept. 10 show the powerful storm churned up miles of sediment. The Florida Keys Marine Sanctuary is now asking boaters for help in mapping changes to waterways and the ocean bottom.

ida Keys National Marine Sanctuary will need to be surveyed. Debris, from boats to fence posts to propeller-snagging utility lines, created new underwater hazards.

Navigation, never easy among the mud banks and seagrass flats or maze of islands, took on new challenges. Now the Sanctuary that stretches from the north end

of Biscayne Bay to the Dry Tortugas is teaming up with the boating industry to undertake the daunting task of mapping the changes. Beginning Jan. 19 through February, the sanctuary is asking boaters to report changes to Navionics, an Italian company that produces navigational charts. Navionics also helped chart changes in the northeast after Superstorm Sandy. "We cannot get all the information we need by ourselves. So we need to work with partners," said Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary Superintendent Sarah Fangman, who oversees a staff of less than

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COURTS

Man who fatally stabbed an emotional-support sheep for poor kids won't go to jail

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Dora the sheep once was the star at Out of the Ashes, a foundation that connects Miami inner-city children with nature. Soft and soothing, Dora was even registered as an emotional-support sheep. But Dora and two other

Barbados Blackbelly sheep like her are no more. They were killed by two men who broke into the foundation farm, corralled the animals and stabbed them until they bled to death. The criminal case against the intruders — who killed the sheep and then tried to steal their carcasses — concluded Thursday as a Miami judge sentenced the

final defendant not to jail but to three years of probation for burglary and aggravated animal cruelty. The man, Jose Reyes, 71, was ordered to pay \$2,365 in restitution to the foundation, plus serve 250 hours of community service. "This is not how we slaughter animals. Usually

SEE SHEEP, 2A



These are the Barbados blackbelly sheep at the farm of the Out of the Ashes Foundation, which connects inner-city children with nature. Three of them were stabbed to death by intruders in August 2015. The two defendants were sentenced to three years of probation.



LOCAL & STATE

FANS WORLDWIDE WATCHING EAGLES

A pair of eagles and their two newly hatched eaglets captivated viewers of a live stream set up in a Fort Myers tree. 3A



BUSINESS

A DATE IS SET FOR BRIGHTLINE

Owners of the rail service linking Miami, Fort Lauderdale and West Palm Beach have set a start date. 6A

DEATHS

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The wisecracking Sally Rogers of 'The Dick Van Dyke Show' work for nearly a century in show business. 10A

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